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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Wolfgang Rempe et al.  
Application No. : 09/942,268 Confirmation No. : 6261  
Filed : August 28, 2001  
For : PROCESS FOR FORMING TUBE-SHAPED HOLLOW  
BODIES MADE OF METAL  
Group Art Unit : 3725  
Examiner : Lowell A. Larson

New York, New York 10020  
July 26, 2002

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 2327  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace pages 1-4 of the originally filed specification (the entire specification excluding the claims and the Abstract) with the substitute specification (pages 1-6) appended hereto at Tab 1.

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